

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the present Response. The Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment (37 CFR 1.121), mailed August 18, 2004, has been carefully reviewed. By this Response, each claim in the listing of claims now has the proper status identifier.

The Amendment, dated July 30, 2004, for the above-identified application was previously submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on August 3, 2004 and was received therein on August 5, 2004. The aforementioned Amendment was in response to an Official Action, mailed May 24, 2004, for this application. Through an inadvertent error, the proper status identifiers for some of the claims were not included in the listing of claims that was included in the aforementioned Amendment. The listing of claims included with this Response includes all of the claims in this Application with the proper status identifier for each claim and should be substituted for the listing of claims that was submitted in the aforementioned Amendment. It should be noted that there are no other changes with respect to the aforementioned Amendment, and that the REMARKS/ARGUMENTS included therein are incorporated herein by reference.

In view of this Response, it is respectfully submitted that this case is in condition for allowance, and such action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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